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[OFFICIAL.]

The Civil Service Committee is one of the most practical and useful committees working under the auspices of the National Association. It has added local committees to secure employment for the deaf to its other activities. It has been suggested further that Mr. Allabough prepare a form of card, to be used by all local committees, that will give statistics concerning the deaf man or woman in whatever locality that is in search of work. The local committee can keep one card and send a duplicate to Mr. Allabough, who might publish a list of those needing employment and giving an idea of what they can do, in the JOURNAL. If there is any place in the country where a deaf man is wanted and is not available locally, notice can be sent to Mr. Allabough, and from his list he could probably recommend a desirable party. This should apply to both deaf men and deaf women, irrespective of whether or not they are members of the N. A. D. Our object is to help all of the deaf. We submit this idea to Mr. Allabough and his committee. Furthermore, we beg to notify him that we could find employment for two or three good girls who can cook and do housework. If he has applications by such he can notify us. Civil Service Bulletin, No. 3, is appended hereto.

CIVIL SERVICE BULLETIN NO. 3.

Rev. B. R. Allabough, Ohio, Chairman.
G. M. Teegarden, Pennsylvania.
Robert H. King, Kentucky.

Mr. J. C. HOWARD,
President, N. A. D.

DEAR MR. HOWARD:—We submit the following correspondence for your perusal. Note the difficulties under which the deaf are laboring, especially in small towns where Civil Service examinations are required. It seems to us that the deaf have the best chance in large cities, where one can be kept busy at one kind of work all the time, when hearing is not an essential factor. But they are evidently discriminated against in New York and Chicago. We are informed that they are even debarred from Civil Service examinations, not only in New York City but also in the State. What is the reason? Is it prejudice, or incompetency? We want the facts. So the effort of Mr. Frankenheim to secure justice for the deaf in New York will be watched with great interest.

Mr. E. P. Clarke, of Hartford, is also interested in Connecticut, where the Civil Service has been in existence only one year. He is now trying to get the deaf admitted to examinations.

Washington seems to be the best place for the deaf, of whom a goodly number are employed in the Civil Service. Are State Civil Service Commissions more prejudiced against the deaf than the National? Or, is it because the deaf are not so well known as in Washington? There must be some reason.

CORRESPONDENCE.

At the urgent request of the Rev. B. R. Allabough, Chairman of the N. A. D., I hereby present before you, deaf readers, my case in the Civil Service, which, in the opinion of the reverend gentleman, merits your personal and consideration.

In November of 1913, I took a Civil Service examination for the local post office (Clerk-Carrier) and

passed. My name was third on the list of eligibles, and according to the rules of the Civil Service, I was to be considered with two others ahead of me by an appointing officer, for the first vacancy that might occur. In the following summer the outgoing postmaster appointed two eligibles, if I am not mistaken, to act as substitutes for the clerks and carriers, who took their two weeks' vacation granted by the Government by turns, and left only one remaining vacancy for the incoming postmaster to fill.

I asked the retiring postmaster to explain his failure to appoint me to a vacancy, to which I believed I was entitled. He maintained that all new appointees were to serve as substitutes first before they got permanent appointments, and had to work at different positions, often at the stamp or parcel windows, and I would, in his opinion, be much handicapped on account of my deafness, and consequently incur considerable inconvenience.

After investigation, I was convinced that I was not discriminated against, as the one appointed was ahead of me and the other took a carrier's place to which the deaf are not eligible. But not feeling satisfied with the postmaster's explanation and still believing that the Post Office could have accommodated me in some way, I had an interview with the incoming postmaster. He was personally acquainted with me, and he accorded me a most cordial reception and treated me like a gentleman. In the course of our conversation, he was surprised that I was pretty well up on the register, as my name was not included on the list of three names recently submitted to him for selection by the Superintendent of the City Delivery, to fill the remaining vacancy. While I was strongly averse to influencing him to make an appointment in my favor, I deemed it best for me to lay before him facts in regard to the deaf employed in the Civil Service, trying to show that they had proven themselves, beyond a doubt, fully as efficient as the hearing. I simply appealed to him for an opportunity, a square deal—not for sympathy. He listened to my pleadings with apparently due consideration, and promised to take up the matter with the Superintendent of the City Delivery.

A few days later, I dropped in the Superintendent's office to ask for a Manual of the Examination for the Fall of 1914 as an excuse, and then availed myself of the opportunity to inquire as to my standing on the register. Now I am second and a scant half a point behind the head of the list.

It occurred to me that I might ask a prominent ex-assistant postmaster in a large city, who knew me well, to recommend me to Mr. Beck, our local postmaster. He complied with my request and later sent me Mr. Beck's answer. Thus I got an excellent insight into his opinion and attitude as to the employment of the deaf in the post office. In the first part of the letter it was rather discouraging, but in the latter part it was encouraging, and then there was still a ray of hope for me. He said that in a post office, the size of Richmond (population of 27,000), a substitute clerk has to work at different places in the office, frequently working with the public before he becomes a regular clerk. However, he said that if there occurs a vacancy where the deaf can fill, he would be highly pleased to recommend me.

But, alas! upon his return from the Convention of Postmasters held in Minneapolis, Mr. Beck changed his mind and would not appoint me under any circumstances.

Then I communicated with the Secretary of the Sixth Civil Service District in Cincinnati, which covers this territory, calling his attention to the injustice done me. He was the one who issued me the admission card to the Civil Service examination in Richmond and seemed to be the proper one to attend to my case. I argued that I had passed the physical examination as required by the rules of the Civil Service, was admitted to the examination and passed it. Yet I would not be considered for any vacancy in the local post office. Moreover I had been put to considerable expense, and, in my opinion, the injustice done me was as tyrannical as "taxa-

tion without representation" in 1776.

In reply to my protest, the Secretary of the Sixth District upheld the local postmaster, maintaining that in a post office the size of Richmond it would be impracticable for a postmaster employing a deaf-mute who must serve as a substitute before he becomes a regular clerk—where clerks have to be assigned first to one class of work and then another. However, he advised me to apply for an office like Chicago, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, etc., believing that I would be more likely to be appointed at one of those offices, as they doubtless have enough work to keep one clerk busy on one kind of work and no other. To become eligible for the cities named, it would be necessary for me to take the examination in the city where I desire employment. Then the expense thus incurred would have to be considered, and then it is a gamble whether a deaf person will ever get appointed even should he be at the head of the list.

As a last resort, I decided to lay my case before Representative Finley Gray. The text of my letter to him and his reply are hereby submitted for publication.

(MR. MATHER'S LETTER.)

HONORABLE FINLEY H. GRAY,
Connersville, Ind.

DEAR SIR:—Thanks for your letter of recent date, requesting that I write you and explain fully why I desired to have an appointment with you for a few minutes while in Richmond.

Now that Christmas is fast approaching and the local Postmaster will likely call in a number of substitutes to take care of the rush in the post office, may I venture to appeal to you to see to it that I am accorded the same consideration as the other hearing eligibles?

The appointments made during the Christmas rush are temporary or for a probationary period, and I desire to have an opportunity to prove to the appointing officer that the deaf are just as efficient as the hearing, in performing the duties of some certain positions in the post office, to which the deaf are eligible in spite of their deafness. What harm will there be to grant me an opportunity, for which some have struggled and have been denied by some exacting appointing officers in some large cities? The hearing as a whole are ignorant of the capabilities of the deaf along different lines of endeavor. In fact they are generally more prejudiced against them than the negroes, who were once regarded in the same class as monkeys, and not capable of acquiring a common school education. There are some successful deaf chemists, architects, dentists, contractors and professors; so why can't they do just as well in the Civil Service?

The postmaster, Mr. Beck, is personally acquainted with me, knows what kind of a fellow I am, and we often exchange cordial greetings. Yet he seems inclined to hesitate to appoint me on account of the cold, unscrupulous, exacting rule of the Civil Service, which requires that the appointing officer should select one from the highest three eligibles, who, in his opinion, will best fill the position.

What can you, by virtue of your office, do to remove the insurmountable barrier that exists between the deaf and this particular rule? It is within your jurisdiction. We, the deaf, certainly need an Abraham Lincoln as much as the negroes, whom he emancipated from the bonds of slavery in 1863, to eradicate the prejudice and broaden the field of opportunity for the deaf in the Civil Service.

Now another object I desire to call your attention to, and it is the bill creating a bureau of labor for the deaf in the Department of Labor, introduced by Representative Mahan, of Minnesota, in the House, and Senator Clapp from the same State, in the Senate. I am sending you a page enclosed from the *Silent Worker*, which covers every phase of the bill that merits your attention and endorsement.

The hearing have made great strides along industrial lines in the last few years as the result of vocational training being introduced in high schools. It is true that vocational training is provided for the

deaf in most of the State schools, but they are old-fashioned, of the straight kind of trade, and not so well equipped as a hearing vocational school. And in a few years, unless great progress be made, the deaf will not be able to cope successfully with the hearing in industrial occupations. This opinion I have formed from recent observations in our local high school. Most of the trouble with the various State Schools for the Deaf is due to the fact that appropriations voted for them are not large enough to enable the Superintendents to extend and improve the vocational course, employ high-salaried practical instructors, and place their schools on par with those for the hearing.

It is, indeed, the duty of the State as well as the Nation to see to it that the deaf are given an equal chance with the hearing. The cooperation between the State and Federal Government can only be insured by having the bill passed by both houses of Congress.

The deaf at large feel that this is a measure of vital importance to them, as much of their future advancement hinges on this bill. Moreover, they believe this bill, if enacted, will tend to eliminate the discrimination against the deaf in making appointments as evinced in a number of instances.

May I appeal to you not only to endorse the bill, but do all in your power to influence your fellow-members to vote for it when brought up for passage? Assuring you that your efforts in this direction will be appreciated, and hoping that you will be successful, I am,

Yours respectfully,

EARL M. MATHER.

(Representative Gray's Reply.)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.
WASHINGTON, D. C.
CONNEVILLE, IND., Nov. 17, 1914.

MR. EARL M. MATHER,
R. F. D. 5, Richmond, Ind.

DEAR MR. MATHER:—

I have received your letter of recent date enclosing a page of "The Silent Worker," and in response to your request I have written Mr. Beck, Postmaster at Richmond, asking him to give you every consideration it is possible for him to give you under the rules of the postal service and the requirements of the duties of his office, and I hope he will find it possible to favor you during the Holiday rush, and that you will be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate your efficiency in this work.

I note what you say in regard to vocational schools and schools for the special education of the deaf, and I assure you I appreciate your suggestions and will endeavor to act in accordance with your request so far as it may be found practical and expedient in the course of making the annual appropriations for the government.

Most sincerely,

FINLEY H. GRAY.

Let the American deaf read and profit by the correspondent's experience. It may not be amiss to state that Mr. Mather has not received his appointment for the Christmas rush thus far, and does not feel optimistic about it.

Mr. Mather asks that his case be left alone until his eligibility, which has several months to run yet, expires. I feel sure that he will have the Amen of his readers in his wish.

Respectfully yours,

B. R. ALLABOUGH.

Chairman.
THE CLARK No. 4, Lakewood, O.,
December 15, 1914.

P. S. No progress has been made in the proposed bill now pending in Congress, as will be seen by the following correspondence:

THE CLARK No. 4, LAKEWOOD, O.,
November 25, 1914.

HON. JAMES E. MARTINE,
UNITED STATES SENATE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR:—Please excuse me, but I wrote you some time ago in regard to the proposed bill for the creation of "a bureau for the deaf and dumb in the Department of Labor," known as S. 4722, sixty-third Congress, Second Session.

I would like to know what action has been taken on this bill since it was referred to your sub-committee. What are the prospects for its passage?

I would be much obliged for any more information you can furnish.

Yours very truly,

B. R. ALLABOUGH,
Chairman.

(Senator Martine's Reply.)

UNITED STATES SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS
November 27, 1914.

REV. B. R. ALLABOUGH,
THE CLARK No. 4,
Lakewood, Ohio.

DEAR MR. ALLABOUGH:—Your letter of the 25th instant has just been received and brought to my attention with your letter of October 29th. I have just returned to my office in Washington or else you should have heard from me ere this.

I do not keep the records in my office of the Committee on Education and Labor, to which S. 4722 was referred, but to the best of my knowledge, no action whatsoever was taken on the measure, owing to the fact it was nearly impossible to get a quorum of the committee together during the last session. As you undoubtedly know, I am personally favorable to any measure of this character and you can be sure of favorable action on my part.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES E. MARTINE.

The most difficult and yet perhaps the most signally successful line of work undertaken by the National Association of the Deaf, was the suppression of the Impostor under the energetic and fertile brained leadership of Mr. Jay Cooke Howard.

It was a virgin field offering no precedent to rely on; but in a wave of righteous wrath the deaf of the country united to banish the breed from the face of the earth. They succeeded in most gratifying measure, though sundry specimens of the genus impostor still flourish in detailed sections.

Chairman Howard on elevation to the Presidential chair retained his pet position, but press of other duties and a growing army of "deaf and dumb" medics to combat, has caused him to turn the job over to your Uncle Jimmie, with express instruction to get busy. "Make good or get out," is the Presidential ukase to his committee.

It is an apparently impossible task to fill the shoes of the great Jay himself. In desperation, however, I will put in my besticks, going as far as possible before the ax falls.

The first official act was the appointment of a State chief-of-police for Oregon. Portland boasts she "beats them up," but the numerous items lately appearing in the daily papers indicate the pests are on the increase, and shows up the futility of such pugnacious methods. Publicity and the police are the best cures for sudden deafness, provided suitable ordinances are on the statute books. Mr. Emery Vinson was heavyweight wrestling champion of the Northwest while carrying the colors of the wealthy Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, to which most of the prominent Oregon Legislators belong, and he will be expected to use his political pull to get an anti-impostor bill through the forthcoming session of the Oregon Legislature.

It will be gratifying if all the committeemen, or state chiefs, will consent to remain and serve in the same capacities. I have the addresses of but five of the following seventeen chiefs on Mr. Howard's old committee, and would be grateful if each and every one would promptly write, signifying his willingness to continue in office, enclosing correct address, and outlining any new schemes as may occur to him. It will only cost a two-cent stamp and take ten minutes time.

C. H. Loucks, for South Dakota.
J. A. McIlvaine, for Pennsylvania.
F. P. Gibson, for Illinois.

H. E. Grace, for Kansas.
J. C. Miller, for North Carolina.
J. M. Stewart, for Michigan.

Wm. S. Abrams, for New York City.
Sol D. Weil, for Buffalo, N. Y.

*C. A. Messenger, for Central N. Y.

C. A. Boxley, for Eastern N. Y.
W. W. Beadell, for New Jersey.
H. C. Merrill, for District of Columbia.

R. P. McGregor, for Ohio.
Rev. J. H. Cloud, for Missouri.
J. H. Eddy, for Arkansas.
A. J. Sullivan, for Louisiana.
Percy Jones, for Mississippi.

*Appointed a special officer for this work by the Authorities of Rome, N. Y.

That De l'Epee triumvirate is certainly an aggregation of hustlers; we are fortunate in having Rev. Cloud act for Missouri, and I accordingly eagerly beg Mr. Anton Schroeder to serve for Minnesota, the more so as a correspondent once stated Mr. Schroeder was "the really and truly father of this anti-impostor hullabaloo."

Immediately on receipt of the address of the foregoing State chiefs, I will mail a copy of the anti-impostor law Washington will try to get through the Olympia Legislature this winter, together with suggestions for similar action in each and every State. The State Legislatures convene in a very few days, and speedy, determined action, is an imperative necessity.

States and large centers not already provided for, should be well covered, and with that aim and end in view I invite correspondence and offers of service. Workers only are wanted, men who work with a will—not simply enroll to see their names in print and then sit back with folded hands and wait for Providence to work wonders.

Volunteers wanted, and wanted quick.

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER,
National Chairman Impostor Committee,
VANCOUVER, WASH.
Dec. 16, 1914.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE N. A. D.

THROUGH MRS. HODGMAN.
Smith, Mrs. J. L., Fairbault, Minn.
Schwartz, Mrs. John, " "

Vandegrift, Miss Edith, " "
Henneman, William, " "

THROUGH PRESIDENT HOWARD.

Sheehy, Walter J., Elveh, Minn.

THROUGH R. J. STEWART.

Hannan, Elmer, Washington, D. C.

A. L. SOULS' CHURCH FOR THE DEAF

Sixteenth Street, above Allegheny Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. C. O. DANTZER, Pastor, 8525 N. 19th St.

Holy Communion—First Sunday,
3:00 P. M., Third Sunday, 10:30 A. M.

Morning Prayer—First Sunday,
10:30 A. M.

Evening Prayer—Every Sunday except the first, 3:00 P. M.

Bible Class—Every Sunday 4:15 P. M.

Clere Literary Association—Every Thursday evening after 7:30 o'clock.

Pastoral Aid Society—Every Thursday afternoon.

Men's Club—Third Tuesday of each month, 8 P. M.

Southern Diocese.

Rev. O. J. WHILDIN, General Missionary.
W. 1436 Lundy St., Baltimore, Md.

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Baltimore—Grace Chapel, Park Ave. and Monument St. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 8:15 P. M.

Washington, D. C.—St. Barnabas Mission; Holy Trinity, 3d and C Streets, N. W.

Rev. H. C. Merrill, Assistant. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 11 A. M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Matthew's Church for the Deaf, Mr. J. C. Bremer, Lay-reader. Services every Sunday, 8 P. M.

Durham, N. C.—St. Philip's Church, Bible Class meetings, every Sunday, 9:30 A. M. Miss Robina Tillman, Parish Visitor. Services, every Sunday, 8 P. M. Mr. Roma Fortune, Lay-Reader.

New Orleans, La.—St. Paul's Church, Camp and Galine Streets, Rev. H. L. Tracy, Assistant. Services monthly.

The General Missionary visits the above and numerous other stations in the South upon such occasions as are appointed and locally made known. The Missionary will be glad to confer with any one desiring to assist in the work of the Mission.

Diocese of Connecticut.

REV. G. H. HEFFLON, Minister.

WINTER, 1914-15.

Hartford, Christ Church, first and third Sundays each month, at 3 P. M.

New Haven, Trinity Church Parish House, Temple Street, second Sundays, at 11 A. M.

Bridgeport, Trinity Church, Fairfield and Broad Sts., second Sundays, at 3 P. M.

Waterbury, St. John's Church Parish House, third Sundays, at 7 P. M.

Services by appointment in Pittsfield and Springfield, Mass.

Address of pastor, Y. M. C. A., Hartford, Ct.

Schenectady.

A surprise birthday banquet was tendered to Edward Klier, D.S.S. (Doctor of Shoe Surgery), at the New Vendome Hotel, Schenectady, N. Y., on the evening of December 12th, by his host of deaf friends of this city, Albany and Troy. It was a genuine surprise, for, when he was taken to the hotel by his companion on some pretext, and found the crowd in the lobby, he stared, and innocently inquired of one of them what was going on therein.

The table was decorated in the usual banquet designs, particularly the gorgeous display of carnations and roses. A large birthday cake, with the initials, N. F. S. D. to E. K., on the top, adorned the head of the table where the guest of honor sat. Mr. Klier is a member of the Albany Division, and nine out of the ten were present.

A local photographer took a flash-light picture of the group at the table. It may be seen in the *Silent Worker* if the result turns out good.

... M E N U ...

Grape Fruit au Maraschino
SOUP
Cream of Chicken, Supreme
Olives Celery
ENTREE
Fried Filet of White Fish Neapolitan
ROAST
Native Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
VEGETABLES
Mashed Potatoes Green Peas
SALAD
Lettuce, French Dressing
Neapolitan Ice Cream
Assorted Cakes Birthday Cake
Demi Tasse
Imported Port Cigars

Toastmaster Arthur T. Bailey opened the evening with glowing praise of the guest of honor, and also read a letter from Mr. F. T. Lloyd, of Saratoga Springs, regretting his inability to attend for business reasons, and praising Mr. Klier as a champion exponent of the principle of friendship and good-fellowship.

Messrs. Gilli and Bailey related witty reminiscences of Mr. Klier's school days in Rome and Fanwood respectively. Messrs. Carmichael and Campbell did likewise about his boyhood days in town.

Mr. John F. Koepfer was the speaker for the N. F. S. D. of the Albany Division, and toasted the health and happiness of Brother Klier for decades to come.

Miss Barbara F. Spoehrer gave a few remarks on "Value of Friendship," and its effect on the literary and social life among the deaf.

Mr. Geo. Lord presented to the guest of honor two plaster cast statues of "Mutt and J. F." "Mutt" Klier refrained from treating the usual Jack Johnson punch to "Jeff" Lord, in respect of their fraternal ties.

Mr. F. E. W. MacMahon entertained with a humorous after-dinner speech, remarking the witty side of Dr. Klier's Shoe Hospital and ridiculing the Nietzschean theory, and "hoehing" the Kaiser, which the victim took good-naturedly.

The couples and singles in attendance were: Mr. Edward Klier, Mr. Arthur T. Bailey and Miss Barbara F. Spoehrer, Mr. Paul Sack and Miss Agnes B. Killien, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. W. MacMahon, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Geith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Gilli, Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, Mr. Edward Rockefeller and Miss Frances English, Mr. Milton Robertson and Miss Ruth Tardell, Mr. John Lyman and Miss Cornelia Sack, Mr. Joseph Cormack and Miss Elsie Cormack, Mr. Robert Armstrong and Miss Edna Fraser, Mr. Wilson Carmichael and Mrs. Winnie Tulloch, Messrs. John F. Poepfer, George Lord and William Colwell.

Baltimore Methodist Deaf-Mute Mission.

Rev. D. E. Moylan, Pastor, 740 W. Fayette Street.

Rev. J. A. Branflick Assistant, 2704 Bernard Street.

Services at Christ M. E. Church for the Deaf, Pierce Street, corner of Schroeder Street, every Sunday at 3:30 P. M. Sunday School at 9:30 P. M. Week-day meetings every Thursday evening at eight o'clock, except during July and August. Holy Communion first Sunday each month. Everybody welcome.

Deaf-Mutes' Journal.

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EDWIN A. HODGSON, Editor.

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"He's true to God who's true to man: Wherever wrong is done, To the humblest and the weakest 'Neath the all-beholding sun, That wrong is also done to us, And they are slaves most base, Whose love of right is for themselves, And not for all the race"

Specimen copies sent to any address on receipt of five cents.

Notices concerning the whereabouts of individuals will be charged for at the rate of ten cents a line.

"The year approaching is our own— Within its bounds, lie foes unknown; Lord, who didst conquer sin, Give us new courage for the fight, To crush the Wrong, uphold the Right And in the end—to win."

JAMES FREDERICK MEAGHER, poet and punster, wrestler and publisher, has fallen heir to official appointment under the National Association of the Deaf.

President Howard, whilom chief of the "Impostor Police," has turned over his badge, club and credentials to the aforesaid Jimmie, voluntarily and officially—so it can't even be hinted that our Vancouver brother jimmied himself into official prominence.

This is good news for the members of the National Association, and bad news for the hobo who essays the role of "deaf and dumb."

Mr. Meagher took his first peek into a convention of the deaf in the year 1908. This was at Buffalo, N. Y. His attitude on that occasion presaged his future career as one of the useful and public-spirited deaf; for, with remarkable composure, he stood the strain of watching the Editor of the DEAF MUTES' JOURNAL deliver his address as president of the Empire State Association, which address occupied the good part of an hour and contained a section denouncing impostors who graft from the sympathetic public under pretense of being unable to speak or hear. At this convention a resolution was adopted, almost identical in spirit and wording to that subsequently passed by the National Association of the Deaf.

Therefore, having imbibed inspiration at the fount of deaf-mute indignation at impostors, and applauded the first organized kick at them and their nefarious tactics, Mr. Meagher can be truthfully said to have been inoculated with the germ of antipathy to the whole tribe of fake deaf-mutes, whether they wear trousers or petticoats.

He brings to his new and important office considerable experience gained by association with the deaf in various parts of the country. He is keen, intellectual and full of dynamic energy. He is sure to clean out his own district, for he is fearless in pursuit, quick as a cat on his feet, and though small in stature, the biggest bluffer will surely hit the earth with a thud a moment after Jimmie gets a half nelson hold or a jitsu grip on him. Yes, Jimmie Meagher, as head of the "impostor police," will make good. Let us all help him.

SIDNEY J. VAIL, B.PED., who was retired from the profession of teaching at the Indiana Institution about three years ago, after a

service of more than half a century, was stricken with paralysis on December 18th, and now lies at the point of death, at the home of his married daughter, in Murray Hill, N. J.

Mr. J. H. MCFARLANE, of the Alabama Institution, sends the Editor of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL the following original poetic gem as a Christmas Greeting:—

Yule fires kindle every heart; Flaming hopes of glory start, Burning brightest in the gloom Of our being's hidden room. And the meaning lent their lustrous glow Shines anew in that One loved us so.

Glow that gladdens visions dim; Radiance of the face of Him At whose look rings out the cry: Christmastide; Christ draweth nigh! May that glow upon your year abide— With its fullness swell your Christmastide!

AND here is another original versicle, sent by Mr. and Mrs. Meagher from far-away Vancouver, Wash.:—

Brother Hodgson of the JOURNAL Works early, long and late, And hairs of somewhat silver tint Bedeck his honest pate. A Merry Christmas me and mine, Old war-horse, wish for thee and thine.

"HELP!"

COMMITTEE: Edwin A. Hodgson, Rev. M. R. McCarty, S. J., Rev. John H. Keiser, Mrs. Isaac Goldberg, Mrs. Moses Heyman, Mrs. John H. Keiser, Mrs. Wm. Lippens.

BULLETIN No. 5.

In response to Miss Yvonne Pitrois' cry for help for the war-stricken Belgian Deaf, who are in need of food and clothing, the following has been contributed and sent to the undersigned:—

(Send contributions to Edwin A. Hodgson, Editor DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, P. O. Station M, New York City.)

Edwin A. Hodgson	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner	2.00
Minnie M. Price, Middlebury, Vt.	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Heyman	5.00
William S. Abrams	1.00
George T. Dougherty	1.00
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Mrs. Oscar Pfeiffer (through her sister, Mrs. Moses Heyman)	15.00
Fanwood Girls (through Miss Wanda Makowski)	1.95
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Mrs. G. M. Teegarden, Pittsburg	1.00

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Samuel Frankenheim 3.00 |

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EDWIN A. HODGSON.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

The holidays have come, held us in their lap for a fleeting space of time, and then, dumped us out unceremoniously into the cold, cold world. Now begins the long grind.

The holiday season at Gallaudet was enlivened by a series of inter-class basketball games, held for the purpose of driving away Demon Gloom, and, incidentally, for deciding the college championship.

Heretofore, we have not seen much of that double-headed, green-eyed, fire-spitting, steel-chewing quadruped, known as "class spirit," but in inter-class contests, he got loose somehow, and went out on the war path with a vengeance. It was only by the most dogged perseverance that he could be captured and put back into the dungeons again, after the smoke of battle had cleared away.

Owing to their lack of basketball material, the Seniors were unable to compete, so the four lower classes fought it out among themselves.

The Preliminary contests, though hard fought, developed easy wins for the Juniors and Freshies, against the Sophomores and Rats, respectively. The passing, and all-around team work of the Freshmen, in their game against the Rats, was some of the finest ever witnessed in the "Old Jim." The scores were:—Juniors 34, Sophomores 7; Freshmen 74, Rats 3.

The semi-finals were run off on Christmas morning. In these, the Sophomores and "Rats" were eliminated, the former falling victim to the Freshies, by a score of 31-11, and the latter going down before the Juniors, to the tune of 29-13.

The Rats and Sophomores, having been put out of the running, the Juniors and Freshies came together on the morning of December 26th, to decide the championship. The game which ensued was hard-fought, but the Juniors, with Rockwell at the shooting end, managed to get an early start, and led all the way. Near the end of the contest, the Freshies made desperate efforts to overcome the Juniors' lead, and made a game rally, rolling up six or eight points in rapid succession. The Class of 1916 was so far ahead, however, that there was no hope of overtaking them, and they romped home in handy fashion, winning by a score of 39 to 24.

Patterson, '14, should be voted a medal for the way in which he put one over on Russell Moore, Normal. The other night, Pugnacious "Patty" gave Moore to understand that he was about due for a snow bath, and that the students would make a "call" on him for that purpose at 2 A.M. Moore thought "Patty" was "spoofing" him, but the red-haired chap got a crowd of undergraduates to uphold him, and the way in which they bluffed Moore would have made a cow laugh. They told the frightened Normal that they would rope him and drag him down to H Street. Moore was scared to death, and after they left, he got some big long nails and nailed up his door and windows. (He had an exhilarating ½ half hour of it the next morning when he had to pull out the nails.)

Braddock, '18: "As the immortal Dr. Johnson says . . ."

Austin, '18: "Johnson? Do you know him?"

Braddock: "Sure, we grew up together."

Austin: "Is he deaf?"

We would advise Austin to throw away some of those paper covered "works" of literature he has been devouring lately, and read "Boswell's Johnson" for a change.

Just now Washington is buried under a snow mantle, which promises to last several weeks. There is not enough of it, however, to make good coasting on Patterson Hill, but it is so cold that there is fine skating, both at the Zoo Park and the Tidal Basin near the Washington Monument. Groups of students sally down to one or the other of these places most every day, and return with reports of the excellent ice they fell on.

The Christmas program included several enjoyable affairs.

On Christmas morning, the Co-Eds had their annual Christmas Tree, in the East Wing Library. The room was tastefully decorated with Christmas tokens, and the tree, itself, was bright with candles, glass balls, etc., and heavy with its load of good cheer.

Christmas night was given over to a party, which was held in Chapel Hall. Many amusing games were played, and the guests gave themselves over unreservedly to the abandon and high spirits of Christmastide.

Sunday evening, December 27th, was set aside for the making of formal calls, by the three upper classes.

During the last few days, the ever-burning fires of the gas range in the East-wing have, if anything, been waxing hotter than usual. What is the answer? (The Co-eds have been making various savory products of the confectioner's art, to pay off long-standing bets.) And, believe me, the fair young Venuses de Milo are no pikers, not by a long shot. Yours truly has sampled their wares, to

the tune of two or three boxes, and does hereby avow that they are the best he has ever rolled down into his "tummy." The memory lingers!

The Telephone.

HOW ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL MADE THE IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

In the center of a modest house in Salem, Mass., a young man was shouting into a dead man's ear. The ear, carefully detached from its original site, along with the ear drum and the bones behind it, had been given him by a surgeon, and the young man had placed a straw so that one end of it touched the eardrum and the other end a "piece of smoked glass. He looked at the glass. It was marked with tiny scratchings. The young man just whooped for joy.

"If this thin, tiny disc can send vibrations through heavy boxes," he said, "an iron disc might vibrate an iron wire."

And he saw in his mind's eye two discs, a long way apart, connected by an electrified wire, and heard the sound made by one end reproduced at the other. The invention which grew out of the dead ear was the telephone; the man was Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, who is alive to-day in a place remote enough so that he is seldom bothered by telephones.

The extension of talk had been a hobby in the house of Bell for two generations before the inventor of the telephone came on the scene. His grandfather had devised a system for the correction of stammering, his father had invented what he called "visible speech" to teach deaf-mutes to speak.

Graham Bell himself came to Canada at 23, because he was threatened with tuberculosis. He spent a year outdoors, and busied himself teaching "visible speech" to a tribe of Mohawk Indians. Then he came to Boston to introduce in a newly established school his methods of teaching deaf-mutes.

He had a private pupil, a little boy named Georgie Sanders, who lived with his grandmother at Salem, and young Bell was given a room in the house and permission to use the cellar for experiments. He littered it with tuning forks, coils of wire, tin trumpets and cigar boxes, and worked at night, regardless of whether the Sanders family got any sleep or not.

"Often in the middle of the night," said Thomas Sanders, father of the boy, "Bell would wake me up. His black eyes would be blazing with excitement. Leaving me to go down into the cellar he would rush wildly to the barn and begin to send me signals along his experimental wires. If I noticed any improvement in his machine he would be delighted. He would leap and whirl around in one of his war dances and then go contentedly to bed. But if the experiment was a failure, he would go back to his work-bench and try some different plan."

There was another pupil in Boston, Mabel Hubbard, the fifteen-year-old daughter of a wealthy lawyer. She had lost her hearing through scarlet fever when she was five years old; making her hear and talk became one of the vital interests of her life. He fell in love with her, and four years later she became his wife. And there is no denying that she had much to do with Bell's success. It was one of his dreams to invent a machine which should restore her hearing, and though he failed in that, he did very much to bring her back into the world of sounds.

The telephone had its first public exhibition at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876, and apparently few people thought much of it. It was not even given a place in the hall of scientific appliances, but was crowded off among the educational exhibits. Scientists spoke of it laughingly as "Bell's toy," and it remained for two foreigners to show a keen appreciation of its possibilities.

Those two were Dom Pedro III, ruler of Brazil, and Sir William Thompson, afterward Lord Kelvin, British scientist.

As for Bell himself, he had not planned to attend the Centennial at all. He was poor and he had reorganized his classes in vocal speech. Toward the end of June he went to the station to see Miss Hubbard off for Philadelphia. There had been some talk of his going, but he had put it quietly aside. She believed he was going; when they reached the station she pleaded with him and was refused. As he put her aboard the train and it moved away, leaving him on the platform, she burst out crying. Bell dashed after her and sprang aboard the train, without baggage, ticket or any other trifles.

The next Saturday afternoon Bell was promised an inspection of his invention by the judges of exhibits. It was a hot day and the judges had seen a great deal, some of them were for going home; one jeered, and there was general boredom. Then there appeared the blonde-bearded Emperor of Brazil, with outstretched hands. He had heard some of Bell's lectures in Boston; the deaf-mute work appealed to him. His greeting made a stir. Bell made ready for his

demonstration. A wire had been strung the length of the room. Bell took the transmitter, Dom Pedro placed the receiver to his ear. He started up amazed.

"My God—it talks!" "Afterward Lord Kelvin—plain William Thompson then—tested it. He was the engineer of the first Atlantic cable.

He nodded his head solemnly as he got up from the receiver. "It does speak," he said emphatically. "It is the most wonderful thing I have seen in America." The judges took turns talking and listening until late that night. Next morning the telephone was brought to the judges' pavilion. It was mobbed by scientists the remainder of the summer.

One hears little of Alexander Graham Bell to-day. He has a big house on Connecticut Avenue in Washington, and a summer place upon the island of St. Breton where he is constantly busied with experiments. He has succeeded pretty well in hiding himself from the world; once in a while you see a reference to some new invention that is in a half-way stage. A wireless tower busied him for a while; in his home in Washington is an "ice stove" for cooling it in summer time; he has experimented more than a little with aeronautics.

One of the curious things about the invention of the telephone is that Bell knew almost nothing about electricity when he started. He knew a great deal about acoustics, though, and the formation of the human organs of speech and hearing. Bell was called to Washington once when he was in the slough of despond, and took the opportunity to call on Prof. Joseph Henry, who knew as much about electricity and the telegraph as any man then alive. Henry told him he had the germ of a great invention.

"But," said Bell, "I have not got the electrical knowledge that is necessary."

Bell did get some of it—enough. "Had I known more about electricity and less about sound," he said, "I would never have invented the phone."—Kansas City Times.

President Howard's Staunton Address.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—In reference to Mr. Spear's comment recently on the excellence of Mr. Howard's Staunton address, it may be of interest to know that the Bureau of Publicity has sent a marked copy of the address to every Superintendent and Principal of a school for the deaf in the country, to superintendents of public schools, where day schools are located, to a number of directors, parents, and others interested in the education of the deaf.

The Bureau is sending out literature from time to time, but practically all is being sent to hearing people, whom we desire to reach—people who do not read the deaf press. There is no need of sending this literature to the deaf, as they are kept well informed through papers for the deaf. But there is great need of informing the hearing public.

Other N. A. D. committees are also at work. The California Association has gone after the Day Schools with a sharp stick, and the *Shield*, a paper published in California, has printed a number of articles about the deaf recently, all of which go to instruct the hearing public.

The N. A. D. is not as powerful as we should like to see it, but it is making progress. Let us all do the best we can with the means at hand, and in time the work will tell.

OLOF HANSON.

SEATTLE, WASH., Dec. 19, 1914.

On Wednesday evening, December 25th, the Rev. Oliver J. Whildin, General Missionary to the Deaf, united in marriage Mr. Howard Albert Moore and Miss Pansy Canada, at the home of the bride, in Huntington, W. Va. Mr. Moore is a graduate of the Kentucky School and also attended the Knoxville, Tennessee, School for a few years. Miss Canada, who is a beautiful young woman and deservedly popular, became deaf only five years ago. She attended the Romney, W. Va., School during two sessions. The parents of the bride and a large number of the deaf, of Huntington, attended the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were remembered with a large number of beautiful wedding gifts. They will make their home in Huntington.

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PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1838 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The first anniversary of the new All Souls' Church for the Deaf was observed on December 20th, 1914. Being the third Sunday of the month, there were both morning and afternoon services and another meeting in the lecture hall in the evening. The observance of the church's "birthday" was at the latter two services. The Rev. O. J. Whildin, of Baltimore, Md., preached an able and inspiring sermon at the afternoon service. Following the sermon, a beautiful new Bible was presented to the church by Rev. Mr. Whildin, who represented the deaf clergy of America, and the Pastor, Rev. C. O. Dantzer, accepted it for the church. It was then dedicated by Rev. Mr. Whildin.

The Bible is what is known as a Marginal Reading Bible as authorized by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in 1901. It is a most beautiful specimen, covered with red leather, and is especially adapted for use in church. On the front cover appears the following inscription in gilt letters:—

PRESENTED TO ALL SOULS' CHURCH FOR THE DEAF, AS A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION OF THE FAITHFUL MINISTRY OF THE REVEREND CHARLES ORVIS DANTZER, M.A., PASTOR, BY HIS COLLEAGUES IN CHURCH WORK AMONG THE DEAF, DECEMBER 20th, 1914.

Thus, the anniversary was not only marked by a beautiful presentation, but a well deserved compliment was paid to the Reverend Mr. Dantzer by his brother deaf clergy, in recognition of having just completed ten years work as Pastor of All Souls' Church.

After the service, all who desired to attend the evening meeting were invited to remain, and they were served with a light luncheon, consisting of sandwiches and coffee, by the Pastoral Aid Society.

The meeting in the evening was presided over by the Pastor, who opened it with an address. Rev. Mr. Whildin followed him, and read a batch of letters from the absent clergy, all of which teemed with kind sentiment, encouragement and good wishes; and, lastly he spoke words of encouragement for himself. He caused a round of smiles by stating that Mr. Dantzer had been assessed along with the rest for the memorial to himself, and then, to show that he was not really in it, he displayed Mr. Dantzer's check and handed it back to him.

Rev. Mr. Dantzer then expressed his thanks and appreciation for the kind remembrance by his brother clergy. Short addresses were then given by Messrs. J. S. Reider, Wm. H. Lipsett, Mrs. M. J. Syle, Mr. Wm. McKinney, Mr. Fred Miller and Mr. Geo. T. Sanders. The meeting lasted till well high eleven o'clock, and the people lingered some time later.

The Men's Club will hold its annual banquet at the Parish-House on February 9th, 1915. On January 23d, the same club will give a dramatic play of "The Taming of the Shrew."

The Philadelphia Local Branch, P. S. A. D., will hold a stated business meeting at All Souls' Parish House, on January 9th.

An entertaining evening is promised at the vaudeville and dance of the Cleric Literary Association on New Year's Eve. Admission will be fifteen cents. For the first time in its history the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf has been summoned to appear in court as an interested party in a will case. The summons was served on President Reider. He will appear before President Judge Morris Dallett, in the Orphan's Court, on Saturday morning, January 2d, 1915. The case is on a petition for citation *sur appeal* from the decision of the Register of Wills against the probate of the will of the late Mary H. Rocap. The case has been under contest for two years now, and the family has won the first victory. If the court sustains the Register, it will mean the breaking of the will, unless further proceedings are taken.

No better proof of Washington Houston's loyalty to the Fanwood School was recently shown than his superlative elation at seeing Dr. Peet's portrait in the last JOURNAL. As has been the custom for a number of years past, All Souls' Church held its Christmas entertainment on the birthday anniversary of Laurent Clerc, December 26th. The entertainment consisted of several vaudeville plays to fill up time after the presentation of a religious play, entitled "The Dawn of Redemption," which was the main one. The stage arrangements for this play were quite creditable, and the playing was good, too, considering the little time had for rehearsals. The same is true of the other plays and players. Not having the titles of the plays and the character casts, we cannot give them here. We can say, however, that the

plays were seasonable and well enjoyed. A feature of the entertainment was a beautiful exhibition of Delsartean dancing by two young ladies of the Mt. Airy School. They were beautifully attired in pink dancing costumes, and were enthusiastically applauded, but would not respond to encores. The entertainment was free to all, and much credit is due to Miss Gertrude Parker, who acted as stage prompter and promoter of the entertainment. There were others who helped her, but we have not their names now.

Mrs. J. S. Reider is visiting her parents and daughter in York Co., this week. She will probably return at the end of the week.

This week's services at All Souls' Church will be as follows:—

Friday, January 1st.—Holy Communion, at 10:30 A.M.

Sunday, January 3d.—Morning Prayer, 10:30 A.M., and at 3 P.M., Holy Communion.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The Christmas Festival at St. Ann's Church attracted almost one hundred, in spite of the bitterly cold weather the evening it was held. Saturday, December 26th, being the anniversary of the consecration of the Church, a short service was held before the festival. Rev. Dr. Chamberlain and Rev. Mr. Keiser conducted the service. In his short sermon Dr. Chamberlain spoke of the day, recalling three things: First, the consecration of the church; second, the commemoration of the first Christian martyr, St. Stephen; and thirdly, the anniversary of the birth of Laurent Clerc, the first deaf-mute teacher, and assistant of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet. After the service, the congregation fled down into the guild room, where they found that the deaf hands of Frederick King had wrought wonders with red and green crepe festoons. A big Christmas tree stood in one corner of the room loaded with tinsel and ornaments, the gift of Mrs. H. Pierce Kane. The curtain went up on Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works. Miss Alice E. Judge, as Madame Jarley, bustling about as the fussy proprietress, assisted by the corpulent W. W. Thomas, and the lathy Elsworth, who oiled and dusted the living machines. Miss Anna Klaus and George Ran, were brought in as Jack Spratt and his wife, the one abhorred fat, the other allured lean meat, hence always a clean platter and no dish towels to dry. Then a soldier bold, with drawn sword, was Adolph Pfandler; little Miss Muffet was lugged in and oiled and cranked, she started eating curds and whey, till the spider frightened her into Miss Margaret Sherman again. The tangoers were Miss Anna Gerner and William Axford, and acted like real jointed dolls, so much so that several of the little girls wanted to own them. Jack Horner was Fred King, pulling Christmas plums from an immense pie. The top, all toggled up, was Adolph Pfandler, only his nose fell off and his monocle followed. With the last of the wax works off the stage, Rev. Dr. Chamberlain assumed the role of Santa Claus and distributed boxes of chocolates as the audience filed past. The gathering dispersed shortly before midnight.

The Watch Night Festivities at St. Ann's, on Thursday evening, December 31st, promise to eclipse former gatherings. The committee is prepared to give all who attend a rousing time.

The people of St. Ann's remembered the poor on Christmas Day with baskets containing a bountiful Christmas Dinner. This annual custom of providing for less fortunate ones among us has long been observed by the people of St. Ann's, and no times are so hard, but nickels, dimes and dollars, roll into the committee's fund to add a little joy on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

In the spacious and lavishly decorated halls of his Mount Vernon home, Mr. James C. Fitzgerald entertained on the evening of December twenty-sixth about thirty of his "oral-deaf" and hearing friends at a Christmas party.

No Christmas would be complete without the presence of good, jovial, old Santa Claus—he was present at this party in the shape of a game. Santa was represented on a screen as smoking a pipe, which the guests, blindfolded, were to light for him. Miss Kent betrayed her experience in lighting men's pipes, for she walked with but little hesitancy and with unerring judgment pinned the flame right on the tobacco in the bowl of the pipe. For this she received the ladies' prize, magnificent buckle set with semi-precious stones. Among the men, Mr. Charles C. McMann and Walter P. Pfeiffer were tied for the prize. After a great show of reluctance on the part of each to take the trophy, it was decided to out cards for it. Mr. McMann was fortunate in drawing a queen, which was just a bit higher than Mr. Pfeiffer's jack, and thus he won a handsome nest of brass ash trays.

Next on the program came dancing, for which Mr. Fitzgerald's talented brother, Edward, furnished the music.

Miss Mabelle Johns, of Lawrence Park, and Mr. Kenneth Muir, displayed their talent to the gratification of the company, and Miss Eileen M. Sewall, of Mt. Vernon, and Mr. Walter P. Pfeiffer demonstrated the new dances, introducing many steps of their own invention.

Well known for their generous hospitality, the Fitzgeralds lived up to their reputation this evening. Miss Mary Fitzgerald presided over a great punch bowl, and saw to it that every one present was well supplied. A delightful supper put the finishing touches to the evening and fortified the guests against the wintery blasts to be encountered on their homeward journey.

Just one thing marred the evening. The last train from Mt. Vernon left at 11:52, which necessitated a comparatively early termination of the evening's pleasure.

In addition to the members of the Fitzgerald family, there were present: Messrs. and Mesdames O. A. Lewis, Adolph Pfeiffer, Edwin Nies, Robert McGinnis, Charles C. McMann; Mrs. W. D. Smith; Misses Eileen Sewall, Mabelle Johns, Annabelle Kent, Eleanor Sherman, Lydia Heyward, Leonine Hazardorn; Messrs. Walter P. Pfeiffer, Bert Forse, Chauncey Pease, Keith Morris, Kenneth Muir, John Maxey, Horace Moorhead.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Harrison have the pleasure of announcing the engagement of their daughter, Anna, to Mr. Jacob Bartofsky, a former Fanwoodite. This occurred on Tuesday evening, December 22d, and the Sunday following, Mr. Bartofsky held a party in honor of his future wife, at his home, 323 Wvona Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Those who attended the reception were: Mr. and Mrs. Bartofsky and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and family, Mr. and Mrs. Keisberg, Mr. and Mrs. Zolinsky, Misses Tessie Jacobs, Ida Socoloff, Fleischer, Koplowitz, and Messrs. Myrham, Weinert, H. Grossman, S. Siegel, and Blumenthal brothers. Refreshments were served and various games were enjoyed. It was late in the night when the guests dispersed, and bade the happy couple the best wishes for their future life.

Miss Harrison is not a deaf-mute; she possesses all of the faculties, and is a bright young lady. Her father is a wealthy broker, whose business transactions are at Wall Street. Her fiancée will work in her father's office. The date of the marriage will be announced in due time.

After nearly a month's sickness, Mr. A. Lincoln Thomas reported for duty at the Broadway and 13th Street store of Rogers Peet Company. He has been in the employ of that company, which deals in high-grade clothing, hats, shoes and furnishings for men and boys, for considerably over a quarter of a century, and is known far and wide as a deaf-mute salesman. For many years he has alternated between the shipping department and the salesroom, but after January 1st, his usefulness will be confined entirely to the sales department, which will avoid the frequent and exasperating delays that have hitherto offended some of the customers who depend upon him to exhibit and advise about purchases. Deaf-mutes and the members of their families, and the numerous hearing people connected by ties of friendship or relationship, will find Mr. Thomas always on hand at the 13th Street and Broadway store, ready to wag his nimble digits or use pencil and pad expressively for their benefit and convenience.

J. E. Taplin, who is chairman of the coming Frat Ball, was at Tarrytown, N. Y., with some hearing members of the Tarrytown Yacht Club, on Sunday. They walked on the frozen Hudson to the middle where the river channel was still open. The captain struck the ice with his axe and he declared that it was five inches deep. At another point it was three inches thick. They walked to the W. K. Vanderbilt house, near which they tried to catch some fishes in a hole, but were unsuccessful.

Mr. Charles Siegel wishes to see his name printed in the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, so here it is. He said that he was thankful Mr. Hodgson is still young, and very much alive, for he owes the Editor gratitude for his present lucrative position as a printer. "Printing," he said, "is the only means for the deaf to earn their living, and that they should pay more attention to it; for, when the war is over, the printing business will be threefold increased." Listen to his worthy advice, boys!

On Thursday afternoon, December 24th, an entertainment by the advanced boys and girls was held at Public School 46, Manhattan. Among those who took part were Anthony Capelli, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Capelli. The dramatic teacher of the school complimented Anthony, Jr., as follows: "I enjoyed your part very much indeed. A boy who can apply himself to portray a character as well as you did should accomplish a great deal in the world's work."

A unique dialogue took place at Hanover's Lunch, Third Avenue, corner 149th Street, Wednesday evening, between Messrs. Young, Siegel and Gershanek. The trouble arose out of a question concerning love affairs—it took more than one hour to talk before eating, and when the bell struck one, Mr. Siegel suddenly shrieked out, "I forgot my girl out in the street," and frantically rushed out, only to find nothing. Imagine his dismay.

Cyrus J. Eaton, the father of Mrs. J. G. Britt, died on the evening of December 19th, at the Greenpoint home of Mr. and Mrs. Britt. He

eighty-four years and six weeks old. The cause of death was hardening of the arteries. He was tenderly cared for by Mrs. Britt during his long illness. Burial took place on the 23d. His kindly face and ways will be remembered by several deaf-mutes.

Mrs. Benjamin Glassberg, (nee Jeanette Gershanek), formerly of Washington, but now of Brooklyn, a cousin of Lieutenant Solia Gershanek, has written an article on "Government Helps on Business," published in *Pearson's Magazine* for January. She is a lecturer on various subjects dealing with business, trusts, etc.

The Hebrew Congregation will hold a basket ball contest on Sunday, January 3d, 1915, in the gymnasium of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, 92d Street and Lexington Avenue. The game is between the H. C. D. Five and the Y. M. H. Five, and starts at 3 P. M. sharp.

Mr. Ely Mayers, the celebrated all-around athlete of bygone days, as a Christmas present, announced that he will train for a fight with Jack Johnson for \$30,000. He selected Joe Stamm, his life-long friend, as a referee, and the fight will take place at Possum Corners, Nowhere. Admission, free.

Following his annual custom, Marcus L. Kenner, the energetic agent of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, is distributing (1915) memoranda and address booklets, which he will gladly present gratis to policy holders, as well as to other interested friends upon request.

Miss Mollie Jawitz lost her pearl earrings (he it understood that they are priceless), and offers a liberal reward for the recovery of her precious gems. If found, kindly send them to the Editor of the JOURNAL, and he will forward the same to the pretty lady.

Mr. Henry Ludwig, father of Mrs. Emily Bryan, who was known to many of her deaf friends, died suddenly on Saturday morning, December 19th, and was buried on the 22d, in Woodlawn Cemetery.

It is reported that Bernard Gallagher, a pupil at Fanwood some thirty years ago, died suddenly, in Harlem, about the middle of November.

The father of Miss Amanda Hinz passed away on Sunday, December 20th, and was buried on the 24th of December.

Miss Ida L. Frank wishes to convey New Year's Greetings to her numerous deaf friends.

BORN:—A son, to Mr. and Mrs. John O'Donnell, December 25th, 1914, at 4 o'clock.

D. S. Cooper, of New Haven, Ct., died in November 22d, in the ninety-sixth year of his age. He was a brother of Julia Averill, formerly of Branford, Ct., who is now in her ninety-second year.

Lutheran Mission

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the deaf. Services in the sign-language in the church, 426 Broome Street, every Sunday at 3 P. M.

ARTHUR BOLL, Pastor.

GLASS.

Glass is made from a mixture of fine sand and alkali. The sand and alkali are put into pots. The pots are put into a large furnace. The fire is in the centre. The melting pots are around it. The sand and alkali become soft and sticky.

The workers have long iron pipes. They dip out the melted stuff and blow it into the shape of bottles, vases, or whatever they wish to make. There are different kinds of glass. The common glass we use for window panes and dishes is called crown glass.

Flint glass is made from powdered flint instead of sand. It is very clear and transparent. Eye glasses are made from it.

Plate glass is used for large windows. It is very expensive. It is made by spreading melted glass on copper and making it level with a heavy roller.

Mirrors are made from plate glass. One side of the glass is covered with quicksilver. Then the glass reflects objects in front of it.

Enamel is a kind of glass. It is white like milk. Watch dials and ornaments are made of it.

The making of glass was invented thousands of years ago. The Egyptians made beads, urns, and drinking vessels of it. Only a few hundred years ago glass was very expensive. The common people could not afford it even for window panes. They used oiled paper instead. Now glass is very cheap.—*Ez.*

Visible Proof.

"Clubeigh's wife is deaf and dumb."

"Does she talk with her fingers?" "I guess so. Clubeigh hasn't a dozen hairs left on his head."—*Des Moines Capital.*

OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 903 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

DECEMBER 26, 1914.—The Columbus Ladies' Aid Society held its December meeting on the evening of the 17th inst., in the library of the school. The following officers were chosen to serve through 1915: President, Mrs. Wark; Vice-President, Miss May Greener; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. W. Charles; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Zorn; Treasurer, Miss Ethel Zell; Custodian, Miss Annie Maize. Mrs. E. T. King was selected as "Santa Claus" to take up and distribute the Society's Annual Christmas gifts to the "residents" of the Home.

It was arranged to have the members representing the month's meet in Miss Zell's classroom at three o'clock on the afternoon of January 5th, and ALL members to meet in the chapel on the evening of January 8th, at seven o'clock sharp, to arrange for the Calendar Social which is to be given the evening following Saturday, January 9th. It is hoped the affair will be largely attended. It was postponed from November 28th, on account of the scarlet fever quarantine.

The Society next donated ten dollars to the Belgian Fund, being raised here by Miss Bessie Edgar.

Then the Society did a most gracious act in pledging to the Board of Managers of the Home the sum of five hundred dollars, to be used in building of a new cottage for the men. The money will be available as soon as work on the building is commenced. Nor is this all. The Society also pledged itself to pay the cost of the light fixtures in the rooms under its care when the light plant is installed, which the committee having the matter in charge hopes to see the work completed before long. The Board of Managers greatly appreciates the generous donation of the Ladies' Aid Society and the good work its members have done for the Home in the past. The donation of five hundred dollars for the men's cottage and light fixtures were given as a Christmas gift, and it certainly is a generous one. Thanks, dear ladies, and may 1915 bring to you in your benevolent work heaps and heaps of \$ \$ \$.

To further increase the building fund, the president of the Ohio Deaf-Mute Alumni Association, Miss Cloa Lamson, sent out a Christmas, asking the Alumni in making their Christmas offerings not to forget the urgent needs of a new men's cottage at the Home and give toward the fund whatever they can.

Rev. B. R. Allabough was here Sunday and held services at Trinity Chapel both morning and afternoon, also at the School for the Deaf in the afternoon. At Trinity Chapel, he baptized Albert William Ohlemacher, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ohlemacher. At Canton, on the 18th inst., he baptized Miss Zula Eliza Blanton, and on the same date, at 7:45 P. M., in St. Paul's Church, Canton, united in marriage Mr. John Schaffer, of Wooster, and Miss Zula E. Blanton, of New Berlin. At Piqua, on the 19th, he administered the rites of Baptism to William Louis Raymond, Miss Martha Raymond and Daisy Maria Slonkowski.

Monday afternoon, in company with Bishop Reese, Rev. Allabough went up to the Home to assist in the Confirmation of John Clark, Pearl Sutton and Andrew Jackson Hurst. The visit of Bishop Reese to the Home is much appreciated as he has always shown great interest in the welfare and religious spirit of the deaf.

Mr. Frank Galloway, of Billings, Ia., having read an account of the death of Mrs. Andrew Fouts in the JOURNAL, writes us to say that her maiden name, of which we were unable to find any record, was Melissa Dutio. She was admitted to the school in 1851, remaining six years. Her home then was in Taylorsville, Muskingum County, and Mr. Galloway says that while a pupil she was a good girl.

The friends here of Mr. William Friend, of Bradock, Pa., are much pleased to hear that the use of one of his eyes has been restored, and it is hoped the other member, which has also been affected to some degree, can be restored under the treatment he has just undergone in one of the Pittsburgh hospitals.

During the whole week Columbus people have been walking on slippery, very slippery places, caused by a stiff freeze after a hard rain. There have been many falls and injuries as a consequence. Among the injured is Mr. C. B. O'Blens, foreman of the Carpenter Shop of the School. While crossing an icy pavement Monday afternoon he slipped and fell, fracturing a rib. He also suffered from the shock.

All but about seventy-five pupils left for their homes Wednesday and Thursday. The teacher of each class looked after his or her pupils in getting them off. As usual some of the trains were an hour or more late, consequent to the rush for home or outside visitors and the heavy expressage and parcel post business. However the pupils took the inconvenience good naturedly, and teachers too. The stay here

were abundantly provided with good things and good time. Thurs day evening a large Christmas tree, in B Center, was illuminated. It stood upon a temporary platform, which at each of its four corners had clustered lights. The tree itself was wired and when the lights were turned on of the variegated colors presented a beautiful figure. Piles of presents were under and on top of the platform, and were distributed, each child receiving candy, an orange and some useful gifts. Later there was a basket ball game in the gymnasium. On Christmas Day they had a turkey feast. Another basket ball game in the afternoon, and in the evening were entertained at the Bell moving picture show, on Parsons Avenue, near Oak Street. Miss Bessie Edgar has closed up her collection account for the relief of the Belgian and France deaf sufferers from the war. The total amount of the fund is \$100.85. As she has previously forwarded \$50, she will at once send the balance \$50.85. Those desiring to help the fund, are requested to send their money to Mr. E. A. Hodgson of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL.

The Zell family left Friday for Dayton, O., where they will spend the holidays with relatives, returning on January 4th, 1915.

Mr. Ernest Zell lectured to the deaf at the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home, Cincinnati, O., last Friday evening, and Sunday afternoon talked on a religious topic in the Methodist Church, where Rev. Haasenstab holds forth in his mission work, when in Cincinnati. Mr. Zell had large audiences at both meetings.

A. B. G.

Fund Raised to Help the Deaf.

DULUTH.

The Zenith City Branch met on the evening of December 12th, with President Gran in the chair, and opened proceedings by electing new officers for the coming year. Mr. C. E. Torrell, President; Miss Ella Wieland, Vice-President, and Mr. Carl Magnusson, Secretary-Treasurer. After the election Mr. John Stauber, of Minneapolis, gave a brief account of the life of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and then the feature of the evening was introduced. This was a basket social. The young ladies prepared attractive basket lunches and these were auctioned off. Mr. Howard was selected to do the auctioning and Miss Fandrem kept track of the amounts bid and made the collections on the spot. The baskets brought from 80 cents to \$10 each, and the bidding was spirited. After all of the baskets had been disposed of, Mr. Howard offered at auction, for the benefit of the fund, two copies of Mr. Terry's new book, "A Voice from the Silence." These copies sold for \$1.75 and \$2.00. Much interest was taken in these books, because the illustrations were made by Mr. Bumgardner, who is personally known to most of those present. The baskets and books, together with voluntary contributions, made by some who were unable to bid in anything, amounted to \$30. The fund was donated to the relief of the deaf of Belgium and of Northern France. The auction over, the contents of the baskets were investigated and consumed and a pleasant evening passed. Those contributing to the pleasure of the evening and to the fund were:

Misses Hazel Boyd, Bridget Malley, Petra T. Fandrem, Mary Graia, Ella Weiland, all of Duluth, and Miss Irma Simmons, of Brainerd, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Round and Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Swanson, Messrs. Ben E. Ursin, M. E. Hoag, Andrew Gran, Joe Filtrault, C. E. Torrell, Charles F. Graves, Stephen O'Leary, Michael Lydon, Roy Hassler, all of Duluth, and Mr. John Stauber, of Minneapolis, Messrs. Carl and Roy Magnusson, of Two Harbors, and Mr. Walter J. Sheehy, of Virginia, Minn.

The value and the pleasure to be derived from Branch Associations was in evidence. That the deaf of this neck of the woods could get together, and in spite of the fact that half of them were out of work, respond so generously to the call of the suffering in war swept Europe shows how a good and harmonious organization can be of aid. That everyone had a most enjoyable evening can not be questioned.

The daily papers made much of the fact that the deaf of America were to help the deaf of Europe. The Duluth Sunday Tribune gave it the place of honor on the front page, center column, enclosed in brackets.

At an auction sale conducted in the sign-language by deaf men and women, of Duluth and Superior, \$30 was raised; Saturday evening, at the offices of J. Cook Howard, 207 and 211 Providence Building, Duluth. The money will go to ward aiding the deaf persons, of Belgium and Northern France, who are peculiarly afflicted because of the ravages of the German invasion. Additional funds will be raised.

There were about twenty-five at the auction from Duluth and Superior. The young women of the

party brought basket lunches, and these were sold at auction, netting \$30. After the sale, the party enjoyed the refreshments, and passed a social hour. Conditions among the deaf in the war zone were discussed, and means for raising further funds approved.

The deaf of Belgium and Northern France are said to be suffering greatly because of the war, and because of their inability to communicate readily, have not obtained as much aid from relief organizations as others. For this reason, the fund has been started here and elsewhere.

The money raised Saturday night will be forwarded to the representatives of the deaf of America on the Red Cross committees in New York, with instructions that it be used in relief work among deaf in Belgium and Northern France where the need is greater.

Previous to the auction the Zenith City branch of the National Association of the Deaf met and elected officers as follows: C. E. Torrell, President; Miss Ella Wieland, Vice-President, and Carl Magnusson, Secretary-Treasurer.

They drew up a petition to Governor-elect Hammond asking that he re-appoint B. B. Sheffield to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota School for the Deaf, his term expiring January 1st, 1915.—*Duluth Herald, Dec. 14, 1914.*

Allentown, Pa.

Ralph Elwell, youngest son of Mrs. Georgianna Elwell (nee Tuttle), who had lived with his mother in Chicago, but both came back East, after living there ten years, joined the Fort Slocum, New York, last Friday. Signed up for four years. Within a few days he will be sent to Panama, Texas, or the Philippine Islands. Every summer he will have thirty days vacation. Good luck is his mother's best wishes for his future life.

Mr. and Mrs. William Arnold, or Mr. and Mrs. Albert Myer, are deaf couples who own the swellest homes in Allentown, Pa. Both parties own a big fine automobile, taking great pleasure in driving it to places worth seeing during the summer time.

A party was given in honor of Mrs. Albert Myer's birthday, at her residence, December 14th. A few selected friends, who attended it, had a pleasant time. Her husband got her a large cake, marked with her full name on the top, and all around were candy roses.

Mr. William Arnold's uncle, who is eighty years old, met with a sad accident lately, which nearly cost his life. While he was helping with the butchering at his home in Mc Michaels, Monroe County, Pa., he slipped and overturned a pot of boiling water, which severely scalded his hand and shoulder. He is getting better. He has a deaf daughter named Kate Tittle.

GEORGIA.

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St. Philip's Mission in the Beaver Valley, Pa. Mr. Collins S. Sawhill, Lay Reader. Services once a month, subject to notice. Beaver Falls, New Brighton, Rochester and Beaver by turns.

All Saints' Mission—Trinity Church, cor. Third and Broad Streets, Columbus, O. Mr. C. W. Charles, Lay Reader. Services, 10:30 A. M. every Sunday.

Owing to the postponement of the meeting of the Kentucky Association of the Deaf at the School for the Deaf, Danville, the appointments for Toledo, O., Dayton, O., Danville, Ky., and Louisville, Ky., (September to 6) are hereby cancelled.

JANUARY.

3—Cleveland, 10:45 A. M. (Holy Communion) and 3 P. M.

Akron, 7:30 P. M.

4—Canton, 7:30 P. M.

4—Toledo, 7:30 P. M.

9—Ypsilant, Mich., 7:30 P. M.

10—Detroit, 10:30 A. M. (Holy Communion) and 3 P. M.

11—School for the Deaf, Flint, (Morning) 9 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

12—Lansing, 7:30 P. M.

15—Dayton, 7:30 P. M.

16—Indianapolis, 8 P. M. (Social).

17—Indianapolis, 10:45 A. M. (Holy Communion) and 7:45 P. M.

18—School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, 7:45 A. M.

22—Youngstown, 7:15 P. M.

23—Cincinnati 8 P. M. (N. F. S. D. Social).

24—Cincinnati, 10:45 A. M. (Holy Communion) and 3 P. M.

Dayton, 7:45 P. M.

25—Columbus, 7:45 P. M. (Dedication of the Mann Memorial Window at Trinity Chapel).

26—Ohio, one for Aged and Infirm Deaf, noon. (Holy Communion).

Springfield, 7:45 P. M.

30—Washington Hall, Pitts. urg. 7:45 P. M.

Lecture by Rev. E. J. McNeil.

31—Pittsburg, 10:30 A. M. (Holy Communion) and 7:45 P. M., both by Rev. Mr. Smiel-u.

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CHICAGO.

News items for this column should be sent to S. H. Howard, 1400 East 57th Street, Chicago, Ill.

The children of deaf parents were greatly overjoyed by the receipt of gifts from two Santa Clauses, in the persons of Franklin Martin, in the Methodist Chapel, and Horace W. Buell, in the Parish House. Mrs. James Gibney and Mr. Rowse were the chairmen, and did the very best they could to make everybody happy. There were over four hundred guests present in both places.

After a prayer by Rev. Haasenstab, Miss Cora Jacoba signed, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Constance, Beatrice and Joyce, daughters of the pastor, entertained the little hearing children by speaking about the coming of Santa Claus.

In the Parish House, after prayer and reading of scriptures, Miss Field, of Racine, fourteen years old, sang. Mr. Rowse read the history of the original Christmas tree until he noticed the restlessness and impatience of the expectant children, and before cutting the story short, he recited an amusing incident which had been reported at the last convention of superintendents and teachers at Staunton, Va., as follows:—

Many years ago, Dr. Isaac Lewis Peet, who was a famous inventor of new signs for words and constantly suggested new ideas, kept on talking about the sign before the members of the convention which was held somewhere until after one o'clock. The members began to feel uneasy and looked at the clock. Finally, Prof. Bartlett, of Hartford, rose and asked him, "What is the sign for 'Hurry'?" Dr. Peet was suddenly started back, but exclaimed "What is the sign for 'Interrupt'?" Prof. Bartlett said, "Yes: 'Hurry'."

A roar of laughter was followed by the adjournment of the convention for lunch.

Mrs. William J. O'Neil, who has been the guest of Mrs. Brimble for several weeks, was called back to her new home, at Delavan, Wis., where her husband and two children had recently moved from LaCrosse, and started a new Repairing Shoe Shop.

Mrs. Brimble's only son, Clinton, has been promoted to a better position at St. Louis, Mo. He is to start for there after the holidays and act as Chief Clerk at the Exide Battery Depot, Inc.

Alex. Swanson, of Alberta, Can., was the guest of Rev. Rutherford for two days. He has gone to Muncie, Ind., to visit with his old classmate, Mr. Norris, for a few days, and will then go on to Toronto, to see his relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallencheek have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ida, to Mr. Isadore Newman. Congratulations.

John F. Roth is said to be the oldest deaf resident of Chicago. He has advocated Temperance for fifty years. His father fought under Napoleon just one hundred years ago and his step-father under General Grant fifty years ago.

Frank E. Philpott, who moved back to his wife's old homestead in West Virginia two years ago, is now settled at St. Cloud, Florida. He wrote me recently that his family were enjoying warm weather all the year round. They have two bright children.

Washington Houston, of Frankford, Pa., sent his cordial greetings to me and said he was glad to see the Chicago news once more. He wrote: I think that Dr. Isaac Lewis Peet was one of the best teachers in the world.

F. L. Woodworth's wife and two children have been visiting their relatives in Iowa for two weeks and are expected home next Saturday.

The members of the Pas-a-Pas Club will give several interesting talks on Saturday evening, January 2d, after the election of officers has taken place. The ladies are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Christina Field and her daughter are the guests of Mrs. Brimble this week.

Culver Carpenter is in this city, seeking some other employment, his previous business having been so poor in New York City.

"Ring out, glad bells, across the sky! Ring out your chimneys of love and peace! Ring out your faith that war shall cease! Ring out, nor let the music die!"

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

FANWOOD.

The number of pupils who remain here is seventy-eight, caused by the departure of the pupils on Saturday, the 19th of December. They all had good hopes for the speedy arrival of Friday, the 25th of December, which, the people in all the world know is the day of Christmas offerings, of warm and glad-hearted handshakes, with broad smiles and presents for every body.

On Thursday evening, at nine P.M., the hopeful pupils marched to bed earlier than usual, so as to rise at the dawn without drowsiness. During the night they crossed the ocean of eight hours' slumber over to another land of wide-awake merriment and joy.

At 6 o'clock, they arose with unusual wild excitement, because of their desire to eat up all they received, such as richly relished candy, cakes, fruit, etc., after which they devoted the morning hours to playing with toys.

A few minutes prior to one o'clock, which was the time for the Christmas Dinner, Mr. Altenderfer, the head tutor, suggested a good idea for averting the lads' drowsiness by letting the savor of the foods enter the boys' sitting-room. This plan was so successful. The savor made the pupils' appetites sharp. After a fervent prayer by the Principal, they sat down very quickly, and the first thing to eat was roast turkey, which was all consumed within about fifteen minutes. They devoured everything on the table, such as roast turkey, cranberry sauce, mince pies, mashed potatoes. The Principal, believing their inability to eat any more, was astonished at seeing that they were able to stuff their stomachs with costly, sweet candy.

At the conclusion of the meal, they sallied out into the parlor room, to resume their pleasure. The afternoon hours were occupied by the moving pictures outside of the school.

At 5 P.M., they returned full of gaiety and happiness, in time for supper.

The pupils are grateful to the Principal for a special gift to each and all, as well as for the good cheer he supplied on Christmas Day.

Principal Currier received a Christmas Card from an old-time Fanwoodite, named Michael McFaul. For over twenty-five years he had not known that McFaul was in the land of the living, much less that he lived in Brooklyn. Michael McFaul was a wonder in his youthful days, both on the cinder path and the diamond. He won many medals at seventy-five and one hundred yards in competition with the finest athletes of the country. He held the world's amateur record for the seventy-five yard sprint. The writer believes that it still is the world's best amateur record. As a baseball pitcher, in the old days when gloves, masks and breast shields were unknown, he had a corking fast ball that hit the catcher's bare hands with the impact of a cannon ball. He pitched during his school days for the famous Hudsons, that were invariably victors over any of the best nines from colleges in the vicinity of the Institution and across the river in New Jersey. The man who caught McFaul's swift shoots and curves was Edward Beverley Nelson, just graduated from Harvard and a Fanwood teacher—later Principal of the Rome School. Tom Heydon, who died a few years ago, was first baseman and was considered a wonder. McFaul pitched against and slaughtered the "Heathen Chinese" baseball club, composed of teachers and officers of the Institution, who knew the game and could play it with skill and vigor. Principal Currier held down the initial sack in those memorable clashes between pupils and teachers. You would think it incredible that he was an expert in his youth, and no ball aimed at his territory could get away from him. But all this is historical, and is only intended to recall for old-timers the glad days of youth, and to let them know that Michael McFaul, base ball hero of their school days, is strong and well and still on terra firma.

Friday morning, the 18th of December, the friends of Arthur Tabachnick, who is an indefatigable debater, regretted to hear of his inability to go home the next day, Saturday, which was the day of departure of the pupils for their Christmas vacation, on account of an attack of the grip, which kept him under medical care till last Tuesday. He said that he would make the most of the remaining days of vacation.

During the Christmas vacation it has been bitterly cold. There is skating in all the parks in New York and Brooklyn. Lieutenant Sofia Gerschanek, whom we nickname "Fussy," said that he had sometimes met some deaf on the way to the open rinks.

No doubt you all will be amazed to see how wonderfully Corporal Barnes improves in playing basket-

ball, and also to hear that he is one of the star players during the recesses. The pupils here still have strenuous practice in the out-of-door court, in preparation for match games.

Charles Golden, on Christmas Eve, could not find a stocking big enough to hang, so he borrowed his brother-in-law's trousers. Christmas morning, when he woke up, the trousers were gone, as his brother-in-law got up first and needed them. Next time Charles will get something else for Santa to deposit presents in.

On Saturday morning, the 26th of December, Mr. Edwin A. Hodgson's six-year-old grandson, Edwin, clad in the West cowboy's uniform, was a visitor in the printing office. He "frightened" the printers by pointing his little nickel gun at them.

Among the skaters at Van Cortlandt Park, can be seen Hjalmar Borgstrand, with his famous smile, skating gracefully like a Norwegian; in fact, he was born in Norway.

The writer is in receipt of a beautiful Christmas card, which locates Henry Pesca in Pittsburg, Pa.

False Deaf-Mute gets six months

Frank O'Neil, alias Frank Duncan, who posed as a deaf-mute and solicited money to take care of his wife and child, was convicted by Judge Keeler in city court today and fined \$50. He could not pay the fine and went to the penitentiary to serve fifty days.

O'Neil, a year ago, caused a sensation by refusing to talk for five weeks. He was picked up on suspicion, and pretended to be deaf and dumb. All kinds of schemes were tried to get the man to talk, but he carried out his bluff and foiled the police. For five weeks O'Neil remained in the jail. At different times detectives called on him, but never once did he make a mistake. Even the guards, at times, shot questions at the prisoner, but he never fell into the trap. Finally the officials were satisfied that O'Neil was a mute and he was given his freedom.

Having refrained from talking for so many weeks, O'Neil upon his release, decided to celebrate. He got intoxicated and talked volubly to a cop. He figured that he could work the mute game again, but Judge Breanan recognized O'Neil as the mute and gave him six months' sentence in the penitentiary.

O'Neil was arrested by Detectives Murphy and Ryan on a charge of begging. He pretended to be mute, and refused to talk for several hours after his arrest. Finally O'Neil admitted that he was a faker and he told of his incarceration for five weeks a year ago.—*Buffalo Enquirer*.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTICES.

St. Francis Xavier's, 30 West 16th Street.—Instruction and Services in the College Hall, at 3:30 P.M., on the first and third Sundays of the month.

St. Rose's, 165th Street, west of Amsterdam Avenue.—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.

St. Vincent Ferrer's, Lexington Avenue and 66th Street.—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.

BROOKLYN.—Knights of Columbus Hall, Hanson Place and South Portland Avenue.—Religious Instruction at 3:30 P.M., on the fourth Sunday of the month.

Under the direction of

REV. M. R. MCCARTHY, S.J.

Fine feathers do not make fine birds, but many a man's clothes make him look like a jay.

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Miss Willie L. Kilgore, School for the Deaf, Baton Rouge, La.

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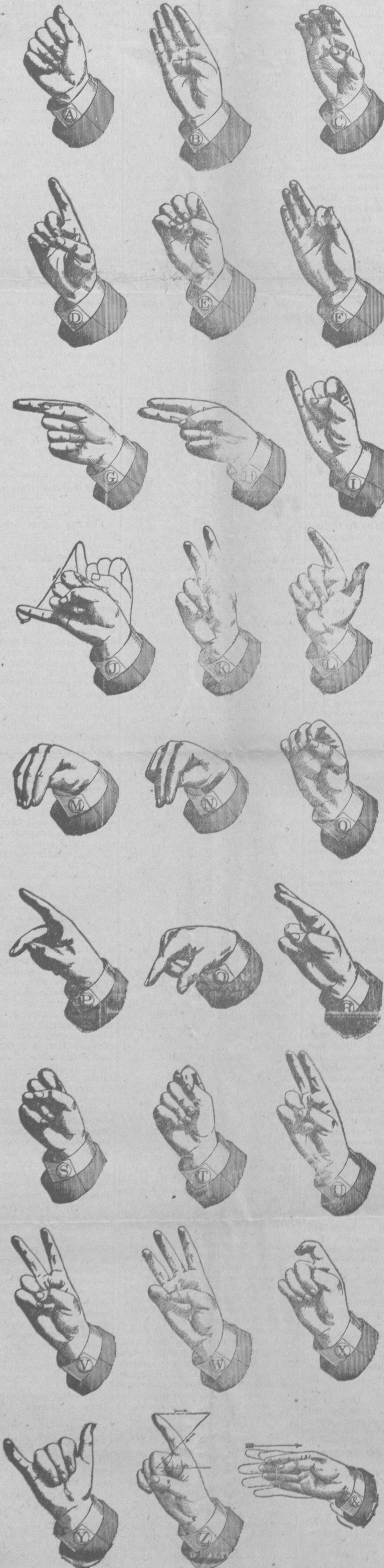
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3. Extracts from addresses by Mr. R. P. MacGregor, including: "The Irishman and the Flea" and "The Queen and the Cake." Length 200 feet and was made in Chicago in December, 1912.
4. Emperor Dom Pedro's visit to Gallaudet College. By Dr. Edward Allen Fay. Length 1,000 feet. Made in Washington, D. C., in June, 1913.
5. The Universal Brotherhood of Man and Fatherhood of God. A lay-sermon by Mr. R. P. MacGregor. Made in Washington, D. C., in July, 1913. Length 1,000 feet.
6. Memories of Old Hartford. By Dr. John B. Hotchkiss. Length about 1,100 feet and made in Washington, D. C., in July, 1913.
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